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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of November 12, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on February 12, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections and objection, in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper:

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper: